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FIrst, it is desired that it may be Inacted by this present Parliament, that no *Scottish* Ships, or Vessels, or Passengers belonging to the Kingdome of *Scotland*, be pressed by Land or Sea in any part of the Kingdomes of *England* and *Ireland*, Sea-Ports or Harbours thereof, seeing these are free of any Presse by the Law of our Kingdome.

Secondly, For a better Commerce and Intercourse betwixt *England*, *Scotland*, and *Ireland*, That it may be now declared lawfull to transport

all Goods and Commodities from *Scotland* to *England* and *Ireland*, or from thence to *Scotland* in the ſame caſe, and as free of Cuſtomes and all other Taxations whatſoever, as if they were tranſported from one part of *Scotland* to another, or from one part or port of *England* or *Ireland* to another, with this Declaration alwayes that the ſaid Immutuall Liberties in ſo farre as concernes goods prohibited by the Lawes of either of the Kingdomes to be tranſported to forraigne Nations, ſhall onely ſerve for the Inward uſe of the ſaid three Kingdomes alenially, and the manner of the reſtraint and puniſhment of the Contravenors to be conſidered upon, and that all native and forraigne Commodities not prohibited in the Kingdome from whence they are tranſported, may be imported by *Scottiſh* men as freely as any of his Majeſties Subjects of *England* or *Ireland*, and ſo reciprocally in *Scotland* by the *Engliſh* and *Iriſh*.

Thirdly, That the *Scottiſh* Ships comming from a forraigne Nation, and arriving in any Roades, Havens, or Ports of *England* or *Ireland*, through tempeſt of weather, or for refreſhment, or upon whatſoever other occaſion, and not diſloading may be free to paſſe and repaſſe without ſearching, or any other impediment. And that if *Scottiſh*-men ſhould be loaden with forraigne Commodities in any forraigne place, and in forraigne Bottomes, or in any *Engliſh* or *Iriſh* Bottome, That it ſhall be free to the owners thereof and their Factors to unloade their moneys, goods, or commodities aforeſaid, in any part of *England* or *Ireland*, and to

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transport the same from thence to *Scotland* without any impediment to be made to them. And the *English* and *Irish* to have the like Libertie reciprocally in *Scotland*.

Fourthly, If any other Vessels laden with *Scottish*-mens goods, going to or comming from any forraigne Nation, pertaining to *Scottish*-men aforesaid, shall arrive in any part of *England* or *Ireland*, and have necessitie to sell a parcell of their said goods, That it shall be lawfull for them to doe the same, and to transport the remnant to *Scotland*, or elsewhere, without payment of any Custome, but for so much as they shall happen to sell, and the *English* and *Irish* to have the like libertie reciprocally in *Scotland*.

Fiftly, In respect of the great detriment sustained by his Majesties Subjects, and by the *Dunkirks* and other Pirats, by robbing them of their goods, taking their Shippes and spoyling their men: That some solid course may be taken for the preventing the like in time to come; so that his Majesties Subjects may have free trade hereafter, and the Scottish shippes passing to *France*, *Holland*, or any other part, may have a safe convoy of his Majesties shippes, as the English and Irish shippes have.

Sixthly, There can be no greater marke of mutuall unity betwixt the Kingdomes, then a free and peaceable conversing at home and abroad, therefore wee crave from the Parliament of *England*, that where the English have any out-trade or dealing in forraigne places, that it may be free to Scot-

tiſh-men to out-trade and deale in the ſame places, without any impediment to be made to them by the Engliſh or Iriſh, and the Engliſh and Iriſh to have the like libertie in out-trade or dealing of Scottiſh-men in forraigne places.

Seventhly, That the Scots-men be not debarred from being aſſociated in companies within the Kingdomes of *England* and *Ireland*, upon ſuch conditions as the Engliſh and Iriſh are admitted, and this to be reciprocally for *England* and *Ireland* in companies, and all aſſociations in *Scotland*; and becauſe there is not ſuch manufactories as yet erected in *Scotland* as are neceſſary, and that the trade of fiſhing (which is one of the greateſt benefits in his Majeſties Dominions) is not yet brought to perfection, it is fit that by mutuall concourſe of both Kingdomes, ſuch a courſe may be taken, as may beſt bring the trade of manufactories in *Scotland* and fiſhing within his Majeſties Seas to perfection, and that Commiſſioners may be directed by the King and Parliaments of the Kingdomes to treat upon ſuch meanes and conditions as may ſubſiſt with the freedome and liberties, and may conduce beſt to the good and benefit of his Majeſties Dominions.

Eighthly, That the Houſe of Parliament would be pleaſed to take into their conſiderations the exorbitant cuſtomes and taxations and other rigorous dealings, whereof the particulars are ſet downe in a note herewith, given in, taken and uſed by the King of *Denmarke* both of the Scottiſh and Engliſh: and whereas his Majeſties Subjects have already

already feſt the ſmart thereof, that now ſome good courſe may be taken for reducing the ſaid exactions to ſome reaſonable knowne and conſtant meaſure, and for the libertie of his Majeſties Subjects from the like rigorous dealing in time to come.

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